

# Polinsky Children's Center Wish List

## Monetary Donations & Certificates

Among items purchased with monetary donations are: new clothing, movie tickets, fast food certificates, recreation activities, bowling, roller-skating, sport games, and much more.

Checks should be made payable to:

**Polinsky Children's Center** and mailed to  
**9400 Ruffin Ct., San Diego, CA 92123-5399.**

*[note: you may always designate on the check memo line, the area(s), age level, and/or activity you want to benefit from your donation.]*

## Babies (Ages 0-2)

New clothing (sizes 2, 3 Ts, including newborn to 24 mos.) as in one-piece stretchies, disposal diapers, manipulative toys (plastic rings that connect), wind-up mobiles and musical toys.

## Toddlers (Ages 2-5)

Disposable pull-up diaper pants, plastic toys and games, barrettes and bows, stickers, and toddler videos.

## Latency Children (Ages 5-9)

Cartoon videos, Ken and Barbie Dolls™, cars and trucks, board games (e.g. Shoots & Ladders™, Candyland™).

## Preteen (Ages 9-13)

Wallets, toys, board games, Walkmans™, radios, hand-held games, CD's, sporting equipment, comic classics, non-toxic model cars and trucks, and wood crafting kits.

## Teen Girls (Ages 13+)

Make-up (including mascara) and hair products and accessories for all ethnic skin types, hair dryers, curling irons, jewelry, bathrobes, fuzzy slippers, bedroom/bath accessories, clothing gift certificates, personal hygiene products, spa kits, arts & crafts kits, Walkmans™, radios, CD's, writing journals, color markers, pens, pencils, comic novels, posters.

## Teen Boys (Ages 13+)

New clothing, wallets, personal hygiene items for all ethnic skin types, sporting equipment, organizers, CD's, Walkmans™, radios, hand-held games, board games, playing cards, non-toxic cars & planes, comic classics.

## Arts & Crafts Supplies

Child-proof scissors, construction paper, butcher block paper (all colors), glue sticks, tempera washable paints & brushes, collage materials, stickers, Play-Doh™, crayons, hobby kits (non-toxic).

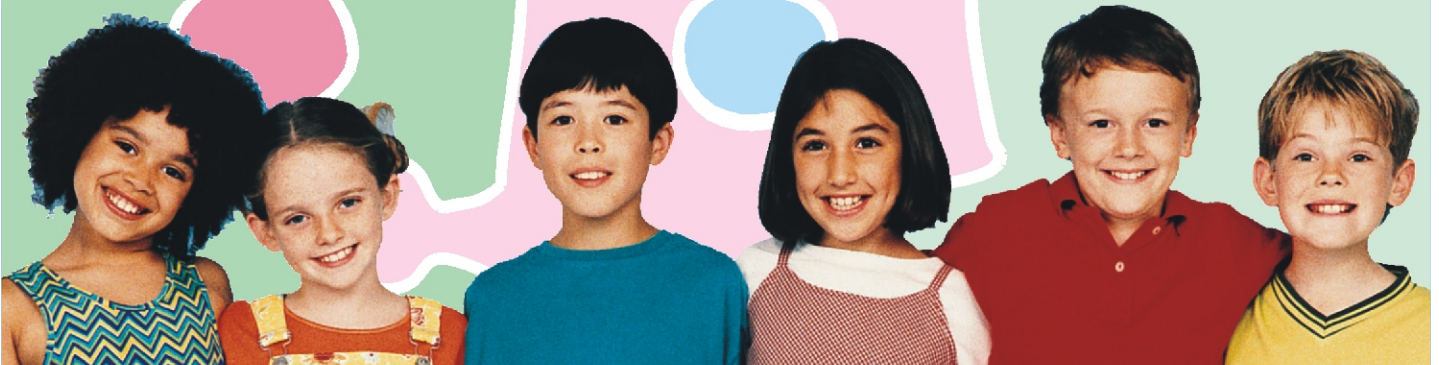
## General Items

Books (e.g. mystery series, Harry Potter, Babysitters Club, Pippi Longstocking, etc.), regular batteries in all sizes, large tote bags and backpacks.

**For more information, please contact:**

**RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT**

**TEL: (858) 514-4607 FAX (858) 514-4821**



The brochure is framed by a border of colorful puzzle pieces in red, orange, blue, yellow, green, and pink. Each puzzle piece contains a photograph of a smiling child of various ethnicities and ages, from infants to teenagers. The central text is on a white background.

## A.B. and Jessie Polinsky Children's Center

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**Introduction:** The A.B. and Jessie Polinsky Children's Center, built to replace the Hillcrest Receiving Home, is a 24-hour facility operated by the County of San Diego for the temporary shelter of children:

- who have been separated from their families for their own safety
- who are neglected; or
- whose parents are unable to provide for them.

The Center was built on land donated by the County of San Diego with funds raised exclusively from private donations under the auspices of the Child Abuse Prevention Foundation (CAPF).

**Goals:**

- To provide a more healing and stable environment for better assessment, improved case management, and consistent care for all children entering Polinsky Children's Center;
- To provide improved services for the children by creating and coordinating preventive measures and treatment activities;
- To promote child abuse awareness among individuals and community organizations in San Diego County.

**Facility:** The campus includes six residential cottages, an infant nursery, medical clinic, school, library, cafeteria, gymnasium, two swimming pools, two playgrounds, and a baseball field.

**Annual Population:** Approximately 3,000 children

**Daily Population:** 120-192 children

**Operation:** The Polinsky Children's Center is part of the County of San Diego operations, with government and non-profit agency tax-exempt status. Donations are tax deductible per Internal Revenue Code Title 26, Sections 170(a)(1), 170(b)(1)(A), (b)(2)(c), County Tax ID #956000934. The Center is the result of a public-private partnership between the County of San Diego and the Child Abuse Prevention Foundation, and supported by County-budgeted funds and private donations, i.e., business groups, churches, community organizations and individual donations.

**Donations:** Donations are used to enhance and enrich the lives of all resident children during their stay at Polinsky Children's Center by means of special programs, education, recreation and cultural activities, personal care supplies, and clothing (see Wish List).